

**LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES
LICENSE INSEPECTOR'S REPORT**

LICENSE NUMBER: L196-50189

POLICE FILE NUMBER: 13257

DATE OF APPLICATION: May 3, 2012

INSPECTOR: Greg Buenning

APPLICANT/LEGAL ENTITY: State Street Hospitality, LLC

DBA/TRADE NAME: Birdhouse on Hennepin

COMPLETE ADDRESS: 2516 Hennepin Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55405

LICENSE REQUESTED: Class "E" On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales

CURRENT LICENSE: None at this location. The owners do operate Heidi's, a Class "E" On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales establishment, located at 2901 Lyndale Avenue South

RESPONSIBLE PERSON WITHIN 75 MILES OF MINNEAPOLIS CITY HALL: Yes

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS: A public hearing is not required

LICENSE CONDITIONS: None

NEIGHBORHOOD/WARD: East Isles/Ward Ten

ZONING: C1

7 ACRE REQUIREMENT: Met

OFF-STREET PARKING: This location has grandfathered rights and is not required to have off-street parking per zoning requirements. They do have a four space parking lot behind the business.

CHURCHES OR SCHOOLS WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE PROPOSED PREMISES: No

SEATING: Inside: 49 Outside: 32

FIRE OCCUPANCY: Inside: 106

FOOD SERVICE REQUIREMENT: 60/40

HOURS OF OPERATION PROPOSED: INSIDE: 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 a.m. daily
OUTSIDE: 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 a.m. daily

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES: None

HISTORY OF LOCATION

This location has been licensed under the name Restoration as a second hand goods and food manufacturer from 1996 to 1999. It continued as a food manufacturer under the name Pandora's Cup from 1998 to 2005. From 2005 to 2012 the location was home to Duplex, which was a Class "E" On-Sale with Sunday Sales licensee.

APPLICANT

The applicant is State Street Hospitality, LLC, a Minnesota a Minnesota limited liability company organized on October 25, 2011, under Chapter 322B (File Number 804031-3). The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate, legal, and traceable funding for this venture. They have the required restriction on the transfer of shares and have the following shareholders and officers:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Shares</u>
Stewart E. Woodman	President	50%
Heidi B. Woodman	Vice-President	50%

MANAGER

Jeff Campbell will be the Manager for the Birdhouse on Hennepin. Mr. Campbell has been the Assistant Director of Food and Beverage for the Hilton Minneapolis since 2008. His responsibilities there have been to run the bar, order liquor and dry goods, and oversee all banquet events. From 2006 to 2008 he was Associate Manager at Perkins in Woodbury. He has been in the hospitality industry for 12 years.

POLICE REVIEW

Police Licensing and this Inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture and has passed the criminal background check. The Fifth Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department has discussed security issues with the applicant and how to maintain a safe and clean establishment.

PREMISES

The lease shows exclusive use of premises by applicant. The premise consists of 3,948 square feet on three levels: first floor, second floor, and basement. The first floor dining area has ten, two-top tables for patrons. There also is a nook area on the first floor that has four seats. Handicap accessibility is provided by a ramp in the rear. There is also a unisex handicap accessible bathroom on this level. The kitchen is also on this level. The front porch allows for seasonal seating at eight, four-top tables. The stairway to the second floor is directly behind the host table. The second floor dining area has twelve, two-top tables. The bar has been moved from the first floor to the second floor. It will have four chairs for patrons. A unisex bathroom is also present. The basement area is for staff only and has a washer and dryer, unisex staff bathroom, walk-in food cooler, staff lockers, a dry storage area, a beverage storage area, and a general storage area.

BUSINESS/PLAN/OPERATIONS

Birdhouse on Hennepin, if approved, will operate as a Class "E" On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales establishment. They will be a full-service restaurant and will offer a full menu of appetizers, entrees, and desserts. They will offer a healthy alternative to everyday dining. Their menu will consist of pesticide free organic and seasonal produce. The environment will be a traditional farmhouse décor. The majority of appetizers will be priced below \$7.00. Most entrees will be priced below \$15.00. The Birdhouse on Hennepin will be required to have a 60/40 ratio of food to alcohol sales. All guests who want to order alcoholic beverages will be required to present valid, government-issued identification. Bartenders and wait staff will immediately check the identification of any person who appears to be under the age of 40 and not rely on other staff members to screen potential underage guests. Obviously intoxicated patrons will not be admitted. Service to obviously intoxicated guests is prohibited. Patrons will not be allowed to remove alcohol from the premises. The hours of operation for the establishment will be 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. daily. All litter and trash will be removed from the front and back of the premises on a daily basis, as needed.

There will be no mechanical amusement devices or team sponsorships.

No charitable gambling is anticipated.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approving this application for an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class "E" license.

LICENSE CONDITIONS

There are no license conditions being placed on this license at this time.